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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

RE:

Ex Parte Notice – Federal-State Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45; High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; RCA Petition on Handset Exclusivity, RM-11497; Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands, WT Docket No. 06-150; Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band, PS Docket No. 06-229; Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 05-25; Reexamination of Roaming Obligations of CMRS Providers, WT Docket Nos. 05-265 and 00-193

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 27, 2009, representatives of United States Cellular Corp. ("USCC") (Joseph Hanley (Vice President - Technology Planning and Services, Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.), Grant Spellmeyer (Director - Regulatory Affairs, USCC), George Wheeler (Holland & Knight LLP) and myself) met with the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Jim Schlichting (Acting Chief), Blaise Scinto, Walt Strack, Monica DeLong, Margaret Weiner, Jane Jackson, Paul Malmud, Peter Trachtenberg, Susan Singer, Christina Clearwater and Paul D'Ari). We discussed the matters in the attached presentation, including the possibility of funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA")

for public safety and commercial wireless broadband systems without extending to or touching upon particular projects, applications or applicants.

Also that day, the same representatives of USCC met with the Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau (David Furth (Acting Chief), Erika Olsen, Jeffrey Cohen and William Lane). We discussed points in the comments and reply comments filed by USCC in WT Docket No. 06-150 as well as the possibility of funding through the ARRA for public safety and commercial wireless broadband systems without extending to or touching upon particular projects, applications or applicants.

On the same day, representatives of USCC (Joseph Hanley, George Wheeler and myself) met with Angela Giancarlo, Chief of Staff & Senior Legal Advisor, Wireless & International for Commissioner Robert McDowell. We discussed the matters in the attached presentation, including the possibility of funding through the ARRA for public safety and commercial wireless broadband systems without extending to or touching upon particular projects, applications or applicants.

Sincerely yours,

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